

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2641 - SB 2532

April 6, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (017186): Adds additional illnesses to the list of qualifying medical diseases or conditions as they relate to considerations of the Medical Cannabis Commission (Commission) and to exemptions to criminal offenses regarding “marijuana” as such conditions pertain to the legal use of certain oils containing cannabidiol, with less than 0.9 percent of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC).

Requires the Commission to examine:

- Various hemp-derived cannabinoids;
- Increasing patient access and participation in clinical research programs in this state and throughout the country and ensuring the ability of participants to possess cannabis-based medicines in this state that are used as part of the clinical research programs;
- Authorizing the medical use of cannabis for chronic pain and intractable pain, and establishing safeguards related to the qualifying of such conditions; and
- Creating a fiscally sound and financially viable program, including patient registration, at minimal state expense.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- This legislation will expand the list of qualifying medical diseases or conditions.
- This legislation is estimated to have no significant impact on incarceration in this state.
- The Commission can examine the various topics proposed by this legislation, during normally scheduled meetings, utilizing existing resources.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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